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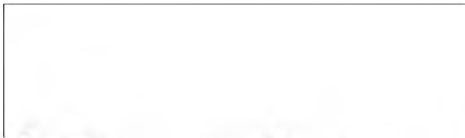
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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Comptroller, OSA**

**SUBJECT: Requirement for Funds**

1. Recent hostile activities over denied territory have dictated the need for the ability to gain photographic coverage of these hostile activities without overflying them.
2. The HR-409 camera system, a light weight version of the HR-329 which was recently tested by this Project, provides this capability. This is a high altitude framing camera designed to provide high resolution photographs of selected targets. Through use of the Mark IIIA hand control and the periscope the pilot can perform oblique pointing of the camera from 70° left to 70° right of NADIR. This will allow many variations of flight lines, either right or left of the selected target, of sufficient distance to greatly reduce the vulnerability of the vehicle to hostile action and still achieve accurate, high resolution, photography of the target.
3. A recent proposal, submitted by Hycon, for three HR-409 systems and associated test equipment indicates a ROM Cost of \$1,841,302. The addition of an estimated \$300,000 for spares would bring the combined cost to \$2,141,302.
4. It is requested that necessary action be taken to secure funds for three HR-409 camera systems to support the operational requirement in paragraph 1 above.

  
Acting Deputy for Materiel, OSA

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**CONCUR:**

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